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FREE, LIVE ENTERTAINMENT COMING TO CHARLESTON

CHARLESTON AIR FORCE BASE, S.C.-- Tops In Blue returns to Charleston Nov. 10, 7:30 p.m., for a night of free family entertainment at the North Charleston Performing Arts Center. No advanced reservations are needed to attend this free show. Doors open at 6:45 p.m., and seating is first come, first serve.

Laura Abell, 437th Services Squadron Marketing director, said the whole family will enjoy Tops In Blue.

"It's always a great family show," said Abell. "It should be very interesting this year because it is centered around a patriotic theme."

The 2002 edition, *Spirit Of America*, is a 90-minute medley of songs that will take the audience on a musical journey across the country on a train called the *Spirit Of America*. From New York down to Miami and Detroit to Texas, the show includes big-band swing, hot latin sounds, down-home country music, hip-hop, pop and the popular finale featuring Lee Greenwood's "God Bless The U.S.A."

"Tops in Blue is the Air Force's premier entertainment showcase," said Tom Edwards, show producer and chief of Air Force Entertainment. "The new 2002 team is a reflection of the 'best of the best' performers throughout the Air Force."

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